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Convention Plans Need \$25,000,000 For Cooperative Program's 25th Anniversary

Our Lighted Lamp At The Heart Of Europe

By O. K. ARMSTRONG

"We recognize that Christ Jesus is the chief cornerstone of this institution. Without him, the superstructure would collapse, and the foundation disintegrate." So said Dr. George W. Sadler in his inaugural address as acting president of the Baptist Seminary here at Zurich, Switzerland, on its opening day September 5.

On that high plane of spiritual dedication, this ministerial training center began what surely by the grace of God will be a glorious history. Here the new light of a center for preparing Baptist preachers for Europe begins to blow. And from this place, their swords sharpened by study and fellowship, our ministers will soon go forth to battle the forces of materialism and paganism that now challenge the Christian faith in this cradle of western civilization.

The seminary is located in a setting of breath-taking natural beauty. The campus crowns a ridge that overlooks the village of Ruschlikon, suburb of Zurich. Just beyond lies the lovely Lake of Zurich. On clear days one can see the snow-capped Alps in the distance.

The building is a former palatial residence. It houses the offices, two class-rooms, library, kitchen, dining room, a small chapel and sleeping rooms for about twenty students. Surrounding are formal gardens, tree-bordered walks, beautiful flowers and delightful vistas.

When Dr. Sadler came with Mrs. Sadler from the Foreign Mission Board to begin his work he found Dr. Jesse D. Franks, veteran representative of our Baptist work in Europe, here as administrative secretary and chairman of public relations. The faculty of eight includes Dr. and Mrs. John Allen Moore, and Dr. John D. (Continued On Page Two)

CALLING ALL PREACHERS

DALLAS, Tex.—(BP)—The problem of securing preachers for the 1950 Western Simultaneous Revivals can be solved, says Dr. C. E. Matthews, Southern Baptist superintendent of evangelism.

He suggests that the churches should ask that the pastors do their own preaching in every instance possible. Other possibilities are evangelists, retired ministers, denominational workers, ministerial students in colleges and seminaries, chaplains, pastors east of the Mississippi River, and laymen.

TO SPEAK AT STATE BSU CONVENTION IN CLINTON



REV. WILLIAM P. DAVIS

Rev. William P. Davis, left, Associated Executive Secretary of Mississippi Baptists, will speak on "Building the Galilean Highway," Saturday night, October 30, and Pastor R. A. Morris, of Newton, State BSU Pastor-Adviser, will participate in two Panel Forums during the State BSU Convention at Mississippi College.



PASTOR R. A. MORRIS

TEXAS AND N. C. LEAD IN TOTAL SBC GIFTS

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Cooperative Program receipts distributed to Southwide causes were \$4,208,533 for the first eight months of 1949, according to Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary-treasurer of the Convention's Executive Committee. Total designated gifts were \$2,872,318 for the same period.

Texas led with a total of \$1,499,944, and North Carolina was second with \$699,951. State contributions for the eight months were as follows:

Alabama	\$ 348,874.59
Arizona	20,034.84
Arkansas	272,169.24
California	19,326.29
District of Columbia	31,382.95
Florida	329,731.89
Georgia	509,780.26
Illinois	99,037.19
Kansas	1,100.94
Kentucky	438,136.04
Louisiana	258,488.05
Maryland	35,990.69
Mississippi	336,485.26
Missouri	361,912.57
New Mexico	51,547.17
North Carolina	699,951.10
Oklahoma	313,513.61
Oregon	1,115.87
South Carolina	564,917.89
Tennessee	534,871.74
Texas	1,499,944.37
Virginia	341,388.67
Specials	10,700.78

TOTAL \$7,080,852.00

Coming Soon

Publication rights to "Cripple Tom," illustrated religious comic strip, have been secured by the Baptist Record. The series will begin in an early issue.

The story is interesting and instructive, featuring a religious lesson.

Every young person as well as most old people will want to read "Cripple Tom."

Ask your friends to subscribe now, so as not to miss the opening installment.

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MINISTER PAYS 20 YEAR DEBT TO REFUGEE

CLEVELAND—(RNS)—A 20-year debt was paid when the Rev. Danila Pascu greeted an incoming passenger at the Union Terminal here.

The new arrival was George Crisan, who came to this country from his native Romania by way of Paris.

Crisan said, "I don't know how to thank all the people who have helped me. See these things I wear: my coat, pants, shoes hat tie. They all came from my unknown friends in America."

"You helped me in Paris. You helped me to come here on a divinity school scholarship. How shall I ever repay you?"

Mr. Pascu shook his head. "You owe me nothing. I've simply paid off a debt I owed since 1929."

Pressed for an explanation Mr. (Continued On Page Two)

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Southern Baptist plans call for \$25,000,000 in gifts through the Cooperative Program, according to Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, after a brief check up of state and Southwide goals here this week.

"The 1950 Cooperative Program goal for S. B. C. agencies is \$10,000,000," said Dr. McCall. "Based on actual receipts by states and S. B. C. causes in 1948, this would require \$15,000,000 for state causes, or a total of \$25,000,000 for the Cooperative Program state and Southwide in 1950, which is the 25th anniversary of the Cooperative Program."

"While holding fast to the 'fifty-fifty by 1950' ideal for division between gifts to the local church program and the Cooperative Program we must recognize that many churches make their gifts to the Cooperative Program by a direct appropriation rather than a percentage. To those churches which will not be able to go all of the way in realization of the challenge to increase their gifts to the Cooperative Program in 1950 by 40 per cent."

"It will require this average increase in order to provide a \$25,000,000 Cooperative Program on the 25th anniversary of this God-inspired plan for financing our Baptist mission and benevolent program. Not only churches which put specific amounts in their budgets, but also those individuals whose churches use the duplex or double budget system between local and mission objects will have to increase their giving by 40 per cent to reach the 1950 goal."

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CRANFORD TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR

Rev. David Cranford, pastor at Indianola, will be the speaker of the Mississippi Radio Hour Sunday, October 16. This will be the first of three consecutive messages by the Rev. Mr. Cranford. He will be heard over the following stations:

At 8:30 p. m. over WLAU, Laurel and WLOX, Biloxi; at 2 p. m. over WSLI, Jackson; and at 2:30 over WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WLEO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WAPF, McComb; WJMB, Brookhaven; WNAG, Grenada; WHOC, Philadelphia.

MINISTER PAYS 20 YEAR

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Pascu said he was in charge of Baptist activities around Tisa, Romania, in that year. Baptists were regarded as "upstarts" by the ruling regime. Word had gone out that they and their leaders should be harassed by the police at every opportunity.

One night two officers came to Mr. Pascu's home. While they were pounding at the front door, the minister left by the rear. Taking cover in the woods, he followed a devious route to Crisan's home. The young man welcomed the minister, offering to give him refuge as long as he wished.

Mr. Pascu remained there until he felt the time had come to surrender to the police. Crisan, an attorney, then defended him in court.

The two remained friends until the minister came to a convention in this country in 1939. Unable to return because of the outbreak of war, he accepted a call to the Romanian Baptist church in Cleveland.

After the war, Crisan got into difficulty with the Communists, being deprived of his right to practice law. Crossing the Hungarian boundary, he made his way to the English zone in Austria and thence to Paris. In Paris, he was given refuge in the Baptist World Alliance relief office.

Recently, hearing that Crisan would like to enter the ministry, Mr. Pascu got him a full scholarship at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School and a student passport to this country.

"If there was ever any debt you owed me, it was repaid 10-fold when you got me the passport," Crisan told his old-time friend.

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PEARL RIVER ASSOC. REELECTS DR. CHASTAIN

Dr. Judson Chastain of Poplarville was reelected moderator of the Pearl River County Baptist Association at the 93rd annual session which convened at Roseland Park Baptist Church in Picayune, Friday, October 7.

The Rev. Charles R. Davis, Roseland Park, will serve as vice-moderator; Otis R. Smith, Poplarville, clerk; Robert R. Smith, Poplarville, treasurer.

The next annual meeting will be held at Spring Hill Church, in October, 1950.

Dr. D. A. McCall, Jackson, State Mission Secretary, was a guest speaker, and the annual association sermon was delivered by the Rev. Cecil O. Sewell of Pine Grove.

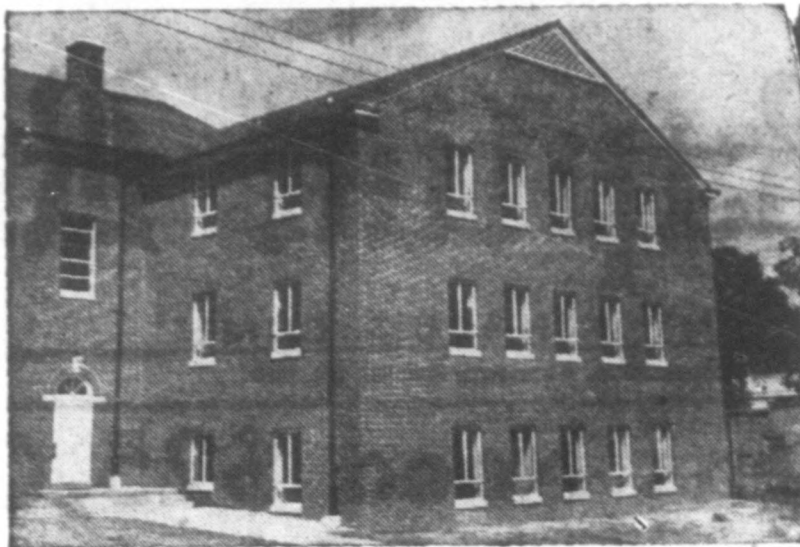
The night session featured a program presented by Mrs. Karenza Guilfoyle and girls from the Mississippi Baptist hospital, Jackson.

Among visitors attending were the Rev. J. C. Murphy, pastor of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, who represented Clark Memorial College and the Baptist Record; the Rev. C. S. Moulder, CROP representative; the Rev. E. M. Bilbo, moderator of Lamar County Baptist Association; the Rev. J. C. Foy of Hattiesburg; and Miss Dora Etta Solomon, Baptist Student Union, Pearl River Junior college, Poplarville.

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—(RNS)— Speaking at a special clinic of Veterans Administration psychiatrists here, Dr. Lawrence F. Woolley, Atlanta, Ga., psychiatrist, said that deeply religious people are less subject to mental disorders than any other class.

LAUREL, SECOND AVENUE DEDICATES ED. BLDG.



OUR LIGHTED LAMP AT
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W. Watts.

You'd think that all European countries are already represented in this the first student body of twenty-four, with six more accepted for enrollment. For among these twenty-four are twelve nationalities. In five meals with the students, I have heard grace said in English, French, German, Dutch, and Hungarian!

The German students number the most, with six. There is a student from Holland, who for two years during the war was held at forced labor by the Nazis. There is a refugee from Romania, who fled the Russians. Two Polish youths now live in Belgium. And so on through the list. All these earnest young men have amazing stories of the cruelty of war and a burning desire to carry the Christian message of faith and hope to their weary people.

There are two married couples, the Jorgensens from Denmark, and Jeremiah Hodoroba from Romania with his wife Madlen from Alsace, France. With a broad grin on his round face and a proud glance at petite Madlen, Jeremiah said to me, "When you write about us students, you can say that France and Romania have come together!"

I can say that symbolically, all of Baptist Europe has come together here, in the fellowship of Christ preparing to spread the gospel over nations that for centuries have known the rivalries and bitterness of war.

The curriculum of this brand-new seminary is based on four years of study comparable to courses in the United States and England leading to the Bachelor of Divinity degree. "Classroom method and life in the seminary are planned to give students the greatest possible contact with their professors," says Dr. Franks.

Plans are ready for the erection of a dormitory, to accommodate fifty students. While that will fill a crying need for housing these future Baptist leaders of Europe, one cannot but wish that five times that number could come to this seminary!

Yesterday I went with a group of the German students to worship in a nearby Baptist church. I heard David Mueller, son of Dr. William A. Mueller of the Louisville seminary say, "I was a German, and now am an American, but first of all, and forever, I am a child of God." That is the spirit of this new outpost of our Foreign Mission Board, our international seminary.

Climaxing plans and efforts covering a period of several years, Second Avenue Church, Laurel, formally dedicated their new educational building on Sunday afternoon, October 9. The structure dedicated is the first half of a complete new church plant. The sanctuary section will be built later.

Construction on the new unit was begun on September 20, 1948, a ground breaking ceremony having been conducted on September 5. Keys to the completed building were turned over to the building committee on September 20, 1949.

Building Details

The house is a three story brick structure, 48 feet wide and 120 feet long. There are 83 rooms, including 71 class rooms, eight assembly rooms, library, secretary's office, educational director's office, pastor's study, kitchen, boiler room, two storage rooms, two baptistry dressing rooms, two rooms for organ mechanism, and five rest rooms. In addition, there are eight closets, 230 feet of corridors, eight flights of stairs and a large unfinished section that will become a part of the proposed new auditorium when built. Total floor space is 17,310 square feet. Total seating capacity is 800. Heating is by hot water circulated through concealed pipes in the floors. The heating system is fully automatic.

Approximate Cost

The approximate cost of the building, including architect's fees and equipment is \$130,000. The church received a special offering Sunday to defray the cost of equipment.

Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College, Clinton, was the principal speaker in the dedication ceremonies.

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LINCOLN COUNTY S.S. ASSOC. ELECTS OFFICERS

A total of 95 attended the Lincoln County Sunday School Associational meeting at New Sight church. Dr. E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary, was the main speaker.

Associational officers were elected for the following year as follows: Tom Moak, Superintendent; Willie Smith, Assistant Superintendent; Rev. Frank Coker, chorister; Mrs. Tom Moak, pianist; Miss Exie Jackson, secretary, treasurer and reporter.

The churches in the association were represented as follows: Brookhaven, First, 12; Macedonia, 11; Little Bahalia, 15; Heucks Retreat, 4; New Prospect, 7; Gum Grove, 2; Holy Springs, 3; Mt. Zion, 7; Mt. Pleasant, 3; Mt. Moriah, 2; Pearl Haven, 4; Wellman, 3; New Sight 18; Bogue Chitto, 2. There were nine pastors, eight superintendents and 19 teachers present.

Students Elect Officers At Clarke Memorial College

Monday, September 26, was class election day at Clarke College. The officers elected by the Freshman Class are as follows: President, Connie Miller; Vice-President, Tommie Copeland; Second Vice-President, Handford King; Secretary, Flora May Prince; Treasurer, Mary Elizabeth Sharp; Reporter, Herbert Patterson; Photographer, Bob Wallace; and Social Chairman, Annie Laurie Guthrie. Elected by the Sophomore Class were: President, Pete Steelman; First Vice-President, Paul Aultman; Second Vice-President, Karl McGraw; Secretary, Wilma Stewart; Treasurer, Lena Templeton; Social Chairman, Reece Acklen; and Program Chairman, Mae Helen Clarke.

Elected by the various clubs and organizations were: Art Club—President, Mrs. Owen R. Smith; First Vice-President, Cleo Ellerman; Second Vice-President, Evelyn Wishork; Secretary and Treasurer, Alice Walley; Program Chairman, Fabia Rue Jones; Publicity Chairman, Dana Harper; Song Leader, Herman May; Sponsors, Mrs. J. B. Simmons and Miss Vera Cochran.

Aurelian Society—President, James Welch; Vice-President, Buddy Hunt; Secretary and Treasurer, Oradene Moore; Social Chairman, Raymond Bishop; Program Chairman, Jane Kelly; Publicity Chairman, Karl McGraw; Pianist, Sue Watson; Chorister, Milton Scott.

Future Teachers of America—President, Ray Humphrey; Vice-President, Ernest Long; Secretary and Treasurer, William Lot; Program Chairman, S. R. Pridger and Naomi Stewart; Social Chairman, Charlesie Austin; Publicity Chairman, Janie Tynes and Polly Thompson.

Platonic Society—President, Bill Henderson, First Vice-President, Reece Acklen; Second Vice-President, Clyde Maddox; Program Chairman, Connie Miller; Chorister, Pete Steelman; Pianist, Mary Alice Ditsworth; Treasurer, Nancy Cooper; Reporter, Mae Helen Clarke; Social Chairman, Wilma Stewart; Secretary, Middy Hensley; Sponsor, Mr. Troy Prince.

Young Women's Association—President, Juan Everett; Vice-President, Martha Lett; Secretary, Dorothy Edwards; Community Missions Chairman, Nell Walker; Literature Chairman, Lola Jean Weaver; Publicity Chairman, Burnie Dean Alford.

Ministerial Association—President, Everett Denton; Vice-President, Ernest Steelman; Program Chairman, W. T. Miller; Reporter, B. N. Sibley; Social Chairman, Paul Dunlap; Pianist, Milton Scott; Extension Chairman, W. E. Overstreet; Chorister, T. E. Grubbs; Secretary and Treasurer, N. H. Pulling; Faculty Advisor, E. R. Pinson; Critic, T. L. Everett.

Mission Band—President, George Lewis; Vice-President, Sue Watson; Secretary and Treasurer, Betty Hodges; Program Chairman, Cleo Ellerman; Reporter, Frenchy Landry; Assistant Reporter, Jasper McPhail; Publicity Chairman, Jane Ray; Social Chairman, Joyce McGraw; and Sponsor, Troy Prince.

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DR. A. B. LEAVELL

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Dr. A. B. Leavell, 72, brother of President Roland Q. Leavell of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, was buried in Oxford, Miss., Oct. 3.

Dr. Leavell was a native of Mississippi, and attended the University of Mississippi. He practiced dentistry in Hollywood, California, from 1905 until his death.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. Roland Q. Leavell.

Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

ATTENTION: PASTORS, TREASURERS AND 350,000 MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS!

October 30, as you know, is the close of our Convention year. Since October 30 comes on Monday making it difficult for remittances by some churches and impossible for others in getting their month's total to this office we are holding open the books through the mail Tuesday morning closing them not later than noon that day.

If all of our treasurers and churches in the central part of the state will get their remittances to us in the mail Sunday night and early Monday morning we should get it in time.

Those who live around the edges of the state will probably have to get theirs in the mail Sunday for it to reach us in time to get in the records for this year.

The Israelites went up to the feast at the temple singing Psalm 121 and others like it. Let Mississippi Baptists so conduct themselves that we will come up to a great Convention singing in the Spirit and the truth "Like A Mighty Army Moves The Church Of God."

II

A Friendly Chat With 350,000 Mississippi Baptists

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Gospel:

Greetings!

Plan to come to the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Jackson, November 14-17, 1949. Plan to stay throughout the sessions. Important matters will be up. Our Mississippi Baptist life generally is in good shape. Some things need attention. Don't stay at home and complain about it afterwards. Attend. Do your best. Then complain.

We need to plan for the greatest all time evangelistic campaign. We need to plan for missions. We need to plan finances. We need to give attention to doctrine and fellowship.

You have this year done a tremendous thing in making 1949 one of the best in His service if not absolutely the best! Doxology!

III

We received from First Baptist Church, Corinth, \$75,000 for Blue Mountain College. This was a contribution from Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd F. Garrett.

This is a fine thing and we are constrained to believe that there are many others in Mississippi who could make large contributions to missions, evangelism, christian education, etc.

The growing generosity of Mississippi Baptists has again and again amazed us.

For instance, this year with a leveling off in many businesses and a major strike affecting our work in south and central Mississippi, we were still ahead in total contributions for all the work of Christ through this office for the first eleven months of this year over the same period last year, November 1-September 30. The total gain registered is in the amount of \$7,133.04. If we continue to do the generous thing through this month of October it will be the making of some more real Christian history.

At the same time we were within \$3,147.43 of our all time high record in Cooperative Program contributions for the first eleven months of this Convention year over the same period the preceding year.

If pastors and churches will do the big thing, giving and releasing other monies for all the work of Christ through the Cooperative Program for the remaining days of this October, we will come to this Convention with an all time high record in Cooperative Program contributions and fourteen straight years of gains.

IV

It is a startling thing to read in the Bible that "witnesses will face us in the judgment!" What is your record?

1. In Luke 16:1-16 Jesus tells a man that his record may help him. When we face our record at the judgment will it testify for or against us? Not the record as we wished it to be but as it is! "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me not in; naked, and ye clothed me not; sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to

one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment; but the righteous into life eternal." Matthew 25:41-46.

2. Jesus says that our words will be witnesses for us or against us in the judgment. "Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit. O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things; and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment." Matthew 12:33-37.

3. Some people resent any idea of bookkeeping on the part of God. As a matter of fact such is over and over again declared to be a reality in His word. The works of some people will witness against them. "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was open, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Revelation 20:12-15.

4. The Book of Life is repeatedly presented in His word as a witness to those who are saved. "And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life." Revelation 21:27.

5. Some individuals who have greatly wronged Christians will be confronted in the judgment by the witness of these Christians. One such major example is found in Revelation 6:9-11, "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white

robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled."

6. Memory is a sure witness in the judgment. "There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy life-time receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead." Luke 16:19-31. Dives did not argue against his own fate. His memory condemned him. He did ask for a few drops of water to alleviate his suffering and for a witness unto his brothers on the earth.

7. Folks you have never seen, may witness for you or against you in the judgment. It was so in Matthew 12:38-42, "Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee. But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here."

8. Souls won will witness to the faithfulness of soul winners. "And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the Lord out of all nations." Isaiah 66:20. Proverbs 11:30. Daniel 12:1-3.

These witnesses do not save. Jesus saves. John 3—all the chapter.

"Will there be any stars, any stars in my crown,

"When the evening sun goeth down?

When I wake with the blest,

"In the mansions of rest,

Will there be any stars in my crown?"

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ALL CHURCHES IN THE WHITE River Association in Arkansas have voted during the past year to abandon the "annual call" and make an indefinite call. The association voted to issue an indefinite call to its missionary.

C. M. GRAYSON ORDAINED AT BEULAH, SIMPSON CO.



C. M. GRAYSON

On August 23, 1949, C. M. Grayson was ordained to the full Gospel ministry by Beulah Church, Magee.

The council was composed of the following: Rev. Quinton Floyd, moderator, pastor Raleigh Church; Rev. Virgil D. Davis, pastor Goodwater, Magee; Rev. W. J. Hemby, pastor Corinth Church; Rev. B. E. Padgett, pastor Harpersville Church; Rev. J. F. Parker, pastor Beulah, Magee; Dr. W. E. Greene, president, Clarke College, Newton; Rev. Thurman W. Booth, pastor Terry Church, Terry; Rev. W. N. Hegwood, Summerland Church; Rev. Joe W. Hudson, pastor, Mt. Olive Church; and Rev. Z. B. McAlpin, pastor, Dry Creek, Simpson County.

The service was held in connection with Prayer Meeting in Beulah Church. Rev. Thurman W. Booth brought the ordination sermon; Rev. J. F. Parker gave the charge; and J. W. Prince, deacon, presented the Bible. Rev. Virgil W. Davis led in the dedicatory prayer.

Rev. C. M. Grayson is a student at Clarke College, Newton, and is pastor of Union Church, Puckett, Mississippi.

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B. E. PHILLIPS HEADS LAWRENCE BAPTISTS

The forty-ninth annual session of the Lawrence County Baptist Association was held with the Wanilla Baptist church Tuesday, October 4. The moderator, the Rev. B. E. Phillips of New Hebron, was re-elected clerk. Mr. Phillips has capably served as moderator since 1924 and Mr. Terry has been the efficient clerk since 1926.

Representatives were present from twenty-one of the twenty-two churches of the association. The Riverside Baptist church of Monticello was welcomed into the association as a new church.

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New Providence Church Is Grateful For Gifts

William Prince Hamilton, has been very generous in gifts to New Providence Church, Calhoun County. Among his contributions are: wiring and light fixtures, installing butane gas, four large heaters and a 240 gallon tank of gas.

In appreciation of Mr. Hamilton's generosity the church has prepared appropriate resolutions which have been presented to Mr. Hamilton.

The resolutions were signed by Mrs. Lillian Wiseman, Mrs. John McQuary and Mrs. H. P. Edmondson.

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Begin Planning Now

Our churches should begin to plan now to send their pastors and other representatives to the Baptist World Alliance which meets in Cleveland, Ohio, in July, 1950. Just as our State Convention is a meeting for all the churches of the state and the Southern Baptist Convention is a meeting for all the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention territory, so is the Baptist World Alliance a worldwide meeting for all the Baptists of the world.

Perhaps the meeting of the Alliance in Atlanta in 1939 was the greatest Baptist meeting ever held. The coming Cleveland meeting should be just as great.

It is going to be difficult for many of the foreign countries to send representatives, some because of travel restrictions, some because of poverty and others because of the dollar shortage abroad.

Attendance upon this meeting will be a blessing to all who attend. Our churches should see that funds are provided to send the pastor. He will come back a better pastor and a stronger preacher. It will widen his vision of world needs. Sending the pastor to the World Alliance meeting will be money well spent.

Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of the Watchman-Examiner recently made a good suggestion which we gladly pass on to our readers. After calling attention to the hardships confronting Baptists in many foreign lands, Dr. Bradbury suggests that many churches in this country should provide the money to pay the expenses of some foreign Baptists to the World Alliance meeting. We approve of this suggestion and hope that some of our stronger Mississippi churches will help some deserving Baptist of other lands to the Alliance meeting.

An Assistant Pastor

In a recent issue of the Mississippi Methodist Advocate Editor Clinton Howell had an editorial that set forth the advantages of the state paper in a way that should appeal to all Methodists.

We have re-written the editorial with the Baptist Record in view but caution our readers to remember that the idea belongs to Dr. Howell.

There is no cheaper way for a church to maintain an assistant pastor than to get the Baptist Record into every home. Isn't it important in the culture of Baptists that the Baptist Record is not absent from their weekly diet. If it is important that the church provide other services as well as other literature, is it not important that the church provide the Baptist Record?

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Young Preachers

At this time of year many young preachers are going off to school. Some are going to college and others to one of our seminaries. Many Baptists, and as many Baptists often pay too little attention to these young men who have surrendered their lives to preach the gospel and are now beginning to prepare themselves for such service.

These young preachers are among the greatest treasures of our churches but they are also a

sacred responsibility. Dr. S. H. Jones, editor of the Baptist Courier (S. C.) and former pastor of the First Church Brookhaven writes wisely and well on this subject in a recent issue of the Courier. We reproduce below Dr. Jones' editorial:

"One of the greatest treasures of our churches is the host of young preachers and prospective preachers in our ranks, and one of our most sacred responsibilities is the proper treatment of these whom God has called. We are trying to give the matter prayerful consideration, and it has been our privilege to deal with many of these young preachers, in school and elsewhere; we feel moved, therefore, to pass on the following suggestions:

"1. To the churches.

"We would suggest, first of all, that churches pray that God would call some of their young people into His service. There are some relatively small churches which have furnished several preachers and missionaries while some relatively large ones rarely if ever furnish one. There must be a reason for this; and we believe it to be, partly at least, the attitude of the churches. A prayerful concern for God's leadership in this matter can not fail to impress some young persons.

"Then, when God honors a church by calling one of its members into the ministry, He places on that church a sacred obligation. We would not suggest that a church pamper and spoil a young preacher, but we would earnestly suggest that the church give him every possible opportunity and encouragement to get a good education. It some times occurs also that churches are impatient with young preachers because they are often indiscreet, impetuous, and unstable. Give them a "break." All people are young once, and they need encouragement. In helping a young preacher, financially and spiritually, a church may make a great contribution to the kingdom of God.

"2. To the older preachers.

"How to you treat the young preachers of your acquaintance? Probably no greater opportunity ever comes our way than that which these young men represent. As Paul was to Timothy, so many a older preacher may be a sort of spiritual father to a young preacher. One must be discerning, patient, prayerful, and unselfish if he is to serve well as a counselor of a young preacher. Yet most young preachers crave the counsel and friendship of one who knows more of the way and who can advise them accordingly. Most preachers remember with undying gratitude the pastor who first

asked them to preach, advised and helped in their education, conducted their ordinations, invited them for their first revival meeting, etc. Admittedly, one runs some risk in "going to bat" for a young, untried preacher; but we believe it to be a risk which one seldom has cause to regret.

"3. To the young preachers themselves.

"First of all, remember that the Lord has called you to take up your cross and follow Him. You must, therefore, bear your own responsibilities. We have inferred above that churches and pastors have certain obligations, but pity the young preacher who assumes that whom He calls to be the best he possibly can. That means a call to full preparation and sacrificial service. A young preacher should be humble in spirit, anxious to learn from his elders, studious, willing to do any sort of honorable work, willing to preach anywhere, and withal moved with a compelling conviction that God has called him to preach.

"It is necessary for a young preacher to prove himself; and this takes time, grace, and work. Yet the young preacher who "has what it takes" will, we believe, find friends who will understand, encourage, and help him. Indeed, we believe that most churches and pastors are anxious to do what should be done to help young preachers get the right start. Then, our Baptist colleges were founded primarily to educate preachers; and this is still a major reason for their existence. Young preachers will always find a welcome and assistance in any one of them.

"These suggestions apply, in principle, to all young people whom God calls into special service as missionaries, etc.; and we have had them in mind also as we have written."

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Interdenominational Schools

It is a matter of concern that so many of our preachers and religious workers are seeking their training in inter-denominational schools. It is conservatively estimated that 2,500 or more of our young people preparing for the ministry or other phases of Christian work are presently enrolled in such institutions. The possibility that these may some seek to lead Southern Baptists into church unionism is always present. This fact serves to emphasize the importance of our denominational colleges, institutions, and seminaries. There is evidence that we need more of them, and we must make all that we have as good as the best.

—THE WORD AND WAY.

—BR—

"WHEN WE COMPARE THE self-sufficiency of our lives with Jesus' complete dependence on God, we get an humbling insight into the cause of our spiritual poverty."—Claude U. Broach, The Teacher.

Sparks & Splinters

"Wanted—An unincumbered middle age woman to keep house for two women." Nelly Magee, Clinton, Miss.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE office of the Baptist Record were: Harold E. Fonger, Vicksburg; Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Spinks, Soso; Rev. John Gilbert, Soso; Rev. J. E. Cox, Bogue Chitto; Rev. D. A. Hogan, Zachary, La.; Rev. Montie A. Davis, Brandon; Rev. Bill Cox, Clinton; Miss Gwendola Lowe, Laurel.

THE NOXUBEE COUNTY ASSOCIATION will have an evening session with the First Church, Macon, on Wednesday, October 19, in which Foreign Missions will be featured. Rev. Carey Cox of West Point will bring the inspirational message. The association will meet the following day with Elam Church (Mashulaville).

ANSWERING ITS OWN QUESTIONS as to why Southern Baptists are growing so rapidly, the Southern Presbyterian Journal suggests: (1) Loyalty to the Book. (2) No entangling alliances. (3) A program of advance. (4) An evangelistic ministry. (5) Differences are not geographical but doctrinal.

THE IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH of Paducah, Ky., has voted to cut its membership roll from 2400 to 1184. Names of all individuals who could not be located in any way were taken from the active roll. The result was 1051 resident and 133 non-resident members.

REV. CLARENCE PALMER RECENTLY attended the State BYF (BTU) Convention at Fargo, North Dakota, and the North Dakota State Baptist Convention. He says that the attendance did not look like a Mississippi State Convention.

DR. S. A. MURPHY, MISSISSIPPIAN, completed seven years as pastor of the Highland Heights Church, Memphis, on October 2. During his pastorate there have been 2,100 additions, 756 for baptism. The church finances have grown from \$17,000 annually to \$100,000. The church is building an auditorium which will seat 1800.

THE W. M. U. OF THE MOUNT Olive Church held an installation service in the home of Mrs. E. D. Miller. Pastor Joe W. Hudson was in charge with 22 members present. The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. Frank Kelly; First Vice President, Mrs. Paul Williamson; Second Vice President, Mrs. Edgar Carr; Young Peoples Director, Mrs. E. D. Miller; G. A. Leader, Mrs. E. D. Miller; R. A. Leader, Mrs. Elery Flynt; Sunbeam Leader, Mrs. Earl Lee; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. A. Myers; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Joe W. Hudson; Treasurer, Mrs. Ledrew Rutland; Community missions Chairman, Mrs. Z. A. Rogers; Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. A. F. Byrd.

FIRST CHURCH, WEST POINT, HAD 63 baptisms during the past associational year, 67 additions by letter, making a total resident membership of 897, and a grand total membership of 1229. Total gifts received through all offerings amounted to \$45,075; total gifts for missions, \$15,579. Also during the year Leslie W. Dodson was ordained by the church to the full ministry of the gospel.

THE NEWTON BAPTIST CHURCH unanimously voted Sunday, September 18, to put Clarke College in its budget in a big way next year. Besides \$400 which will go to help pay the salary of Louie Farmer, the B. S. U. Secretary at Clarke College, it placed \$25000 in the budget to memorialize a suite of rooms in the new girls dormitory, one-half of which is expected to be completed by this time next year.

BLUE MOUNTAIN—BLUE MOUNTAIN College Orchestra has elected officers as follows: President, Edna Jean Reynolds, Starkville; secretary, Frances May Boswell, Macon; and librarian, Loleta LeGates, Indian Head, Md. Letters will be awarded for orchestra this year, according to Dr. William A. Hoppe, head of the department of music.

BAPTIST GROUPS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA have declined to take advantage of the offer by the state to pay clergymen's salaries.

McADAMS CHURCH, ATTALA COUNTY, is celebrating its Centennial October 30. The Building Fund will be the main object in the day's program. Rev. A. B. Pierce, Kosciusko, will deliver the address and the Men's Chorus from Kosciusko will furnish the music. Dinner will be served on the grounds.

FIRST CHURCH, LIBERTY, REPORTS total gifts of \$15,152 this associational year; total gifts to missions were \$5,478. Chester M. Savage is the pastor.

THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE BAPTIST STUDENT contains a very interesting article by Louie Farmer, Jr., who is BSU Secretary at Clarke Memorial College.

EVIDENTLY HEBRON CHURCH, Lauderdale County, is making progress. H. F. Boswell, treasurer, recently sent a revised EVERY FAMILY list and included 37 new names. If all the EVERY FAMILY churches would revise their lists there would be many new names added to the subscription list of the Baptist Record.

FOUNDER'S DAY WAS CELEBRATED at the New Orleans Seminary on September 30. Dr. Ernest O. Sellers was the speaker.

MISS MARY ELEANOR BRADDOCK, Ripley, has been chosen May Queen at Blue Mountain College to reign at the May festival in the spring. Miss Jeanne Nelms, Gadsden, Ala., has been chosen maid of honor.

REV. A. B. PIERCE LED IN A REVIVAL at Vardaman. Rev. L. F. Haire, pastor. Fourteen united with the church and an average of 160 attended the morning services.

THE LEXIE CHURCH, NEAR TYLER-TOWN, now supports a full-time program. Rev. A. B. Hatfield is the pastor.

ELLISVILLE CHURCH ORDAINED T. J. Walters as a deacon on September 28. Rev. Bryan Simmons delivered the sermon and Pastor William L. Clark offered the ordaining prayer.

Newton Church Ordains Five Clarke Students

Five Clarke College Students were ordained to the full Gospel Ministry October 5, by the Newton Church. So far as is known this is the first time in the history of Clarke, or of the Newton Baptist Church that five students have been ordained at one time.

The pastor asked that all ordained men of the faculty and the student body sit in on the questioning of the five applicants. The questioning was led by Dr. E. I. Farr, of the Clarke College faculty.

Rev. Troy Prince preached the ordination sermon; Rev. Harry P. Dayton presented the Bibles on behalf of the church.

Those who were ordained were: George D. Hare, of Pleasant Grove Church, a mission station in Choctaw County (Ala.) organized by Clarke College students; Noah R. Coleman, of Shady Grove Church in Wayne County; Durrell Edwards, member of Pleasant Ridge in Scott County, and Clarence O. Smith, of Martin Church, in Union County.

Miami Church Attendance Wins Over Tracks

MIAMI, Fla.—Known throughout the world as a glittering capital of gaiety, sports and recreation, and as "the hub of the Florida Gold Coast," Miami also can be described as a community of churches.

Metropolitan Miami's 235 churches have an estimated investment value of about \$50,000,000, and there are more Miamians and visitors who go to church than those who attend all the horse and dog tracks for which the city is more famed.

How church attendance stacks up with race track attendance is shown by a comparison for the years 1947-48, when attendance at the tracks reached an all-time peak. During that season, the three horse tracks of the area, operating a total of 120 days, and the four dog tracks, operating an aggregate of 345 nights, drew crowds totaling 2,967,718 persons. During the same period, for 52 Sundays, metropolitan Miami churches attracted 3,120,000 worshippers.

It is believed Greater Miami has outstripped any area in the nation of comparable size and population in number of churches and church construction.

During the last five years, Miami congregations have spent more than \$10,000,000 on churches and affiliated buildings. In the last 15 months, church structures valued at \$5,791,660 have been completed or begun, it was disclosed in a survey by the Greater Miami Council of Churches and the Miami News Bureau.

This is not a sudden spurt of church building, but a steady, progressive growth, the survey indicates.

The first religious sanctuary in the metropolitan area was a tent and even today budding congregations sometimes use tents for services.

Miami's per capita church membership is high. The 235 churches have an estimated total membership of about 193,000, compared to the area's 470,000 population. Protestants lead with almost 100,000 members. Roman Catholics are second with about 30,000, Jews third with 24,500, while the combined total of other creeds is about 38,500.

SINCE MAY 1, WHEN A. B. PIERCE became pastor at Kosciusko, First, there have been 224 additions, 110 for baptism.



REV. J. W. KITCHENS

THE HOULKA CHURCH HAS called the Rev. J. W. Kitchens as pastor and he has already moved into the pastorium. Mr. Kitchens states that on the day they moved in, the ladies of the church had a dinner already prepared in the pastorium and the pantry had been packed with good things to eat.

BRYCE EVANS ORDAINED

William Bryce Evans, a Junior at Mississippi College, was ordained to the full work of the ministry at the Clinton Church Wednesday night, Oct. 5.

The ordination sermon was preached by his room-mate, Rev. Glen P. Dukes who is a senior. The charge was delivered by Rev. E. L. Douglas, Associated Professor of Bible and the ordination prayer was led by Dean Howard E. Spell. Pastor Nolan M. Kennedy presented the Bible.

Mr. Evans has been called to a full time church in Alabama and will continue in school while he serves the church.

ZION HILL CHURCH, LEBANON ASSOCIATION, has elected its officers for the coming year. Among these are: Chorister and Training Union Director, J. R. Blakeney; Treasurer, Wilson Averett; Clerk, Earl McGilvary; Pianist, Helen Jane Battles; Reporter, Mrs. J. R. Blakeney; Sunday School Superintendent and Building Fund Treasurer, Robert Slack, Jr.; Brotherhood President, Howard Gay, and W. M. U. President, Mrs. J. M. Myrick.



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Mr. Ira C. Prosser, left, BSU Secretary for Oklahoma, will be in charge of the music, and Mr. Rogers M. Smith, BSU Secretary for Tennessee, will appear on the program during the State BSU Convention at Mississippi College, October 28-30.



POTPOURRI

Lewis Murray, BSU President at Pearl River Jr., is also Captain of the football team and President of the Student Body there. . . . Eighty-two attended the opening social; there are 67 unsaved at East Central Jr. . . . About 60 students have joined the Oxford Church; 36 are in the student choir; about 1100 Baptists are enrolled at Ole Miss. . . . Mississippi Southern has 1300 Baptists. . . . Dr. Frank Leavell's book, *The Master's Minority*, should be read, not only by every student and student leader, but by every Baptist. It will definitely help you to grow as a Christian. . . . One hundred, seventy-three attended the Welcome Social at Sunflower Jr. where there are eight unsaved. Their Youth Choir sings at the Moorehead Church every Sunday night. . . . Mississippi had 80 foreign students last year. Are there some on your campus this year? Help them to let go and let God have His way in their lives. . . .

Texas Baptist Foundation Handles \$559,527 In Year

DALLAS, Tex.—(BP)—Twenty-three Baptist institutions received over a half million dollars as income on funds handled by the Baptist Foundation of Texas in the fiscal year just ended.

Dr. George J. Mason, executive secretary of the Foundation, said the income totaled \$559,527.03. The Foundation manages endowment and annuity funds for the 23 institutions.

The Foundation has about \$15,000,000 in assets, invested in government bonds, stocks mortgage loans, and some real estate. Part of the revenue is reinvested.

DIFFICULT DECISIONS

By S. H. JONES

Dr. Z. T. Cody, probably as good an editor as *The Courier* or any other paper ever had, is quoted as having said, "The readers of *The Baptist Courier* would appreciate what goes into the paper more if they could see some of the stuff we keep out of it." We know what he meant, and we concur; however, there is another side to it. Much good material must be kept out because of limited space, and the decisions required are not always easy to make.

—BAPTIST COURIER

Alaska Baptist Convention Enjoys Texas Watermelons

FAIRBANKS, Alaska—(BP)—A Texas Baptist editor, H. F. Burns of the *Baptist Standard*, loaded his car with watermelons and drove more than 3000 miles through the northwestern United States, across the Alaskan highway to Fairbanks, Alaska, to attend the Baptist Convention of Alaska.

The watermelons were in exchange for Alaska King Salmon that Dr. B. I. Carpenter, editor, *Alaska Baptist Messenger*, had served Southern Baptist editors at their Oklahoma City convention last May. Some of the Alaskans served the green and red bulbous fruit had never seen watermelons before.

This gesture of fellowship and goodwill served further to tie together the struggling Alaskan Baptist churches with their sponsors, the Southern Baptists.

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MRS. J. D. LUNDY, SR.

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1949, God in His infinite wisdom saw fit to remove from the walks of life and the fellowship of her associates, Mrs. J. D. Lundy, Sr., a resident member of the Belzoni Church and a citizen of Humphreys County for about 26 years, loved and respected by all; and,

WHEREAS, that on the death of Mrs. Lundy, this W. M. S. and T. E. L. class loses a member who was always active and zealous in her work; ever ready to help the needy and distressed in the community.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the W. M. S. and T. E. L. Class, that we extend to the bereaved family our heart felt sympathy.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this expression and tribute be forwarded to the family and a copy to the Baptist Record for publication.

Mrs. I. K. Pritchard, Mrs. S. J. Speed, Mrs. E. B. Marshall, Miss Fannie Jackson, Committee.

—BR—
TOTAL MISSION RECEIPTS FOR S.B.C. causes through the Executive Committee total \$7,660,985.16 for the first nine months of 1949, compared with \$6,993,474.69 for the similar period in 1948. Cooperative Program receipts for the first nine months are \$4,728,472.49, compared with \$4,345,056.21 for the same period in 1948.

THE BAPTIST HOUR Dr. R. G. Lee, Preacher

October 16—subject: "Do You Have The Blood Mark?"

October 23—subject: "Is it Nothing to You?"

Stations in Mississippi

At 2:30 p. m. Sundays:

WFOR, Hattiesburg; WSLI, Jackson; WTOK, Meridian; WGCM, Gulfport.

The Radio ministry of Southern Baptists is carried on solely through individual voluntary contributions, mailed to THE BAPTIST HOUR, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

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BILL WATSON GOES TO McCOMB AS ED DIRECTOR

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Watson have arrived in McComb where he will serve as assistant pastor and Educational Director of the McComb Church, Dr. Wyatt Hunter is the pastor.

Mr. Watson is a native Mississippian, a graduate of the Jones Junior College, of Mississippi College and of the Southern Seminary, Louisville.

Mrs. Watson was Ann Ballard of Tupelo and received her training at Blue Mountain College and the W. M. U. Training School. They have on son, Billie, 2 1-2.

They came to McComb from a similar position in First Church, Pensacola.

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Macon, 1st Has Study Course

Macon, First, is in the midst of a Training Union study course in which Methods is being featured in all unions.

Rev. and Mrs. Joe Abrams of Shuqualak are leading the Adult and Junior groups. Rev. Tom Douglas of Brooksville is teaching the Intermediates; Mrs. R. D. Pearson, the Story Hour and Pastor R. D. Pearson, the Young People's union.

Sixty have been enrolled. Mrs. Fletcher Jackson is the director.

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CENTRAL MISS. PASTORS CONFERENCE MEETS

Dr. Howard E. Spell and Dr. A. Donald Bell, both of Mississippi College, brought the program for the Central Mississippi Pastor's Conference Monday, October 10, at the Baptist Building in Jackson. Bringing discussions on two very vital phases of pastoral life, some 30 preachers entered into the spirit of the meeting to receive great information and inspiration.

Dr. Spell spoke on "The Pastor as Shepherd and Minister." Dr. Bell brought a most interesting discussion on "The Pastor as Councillor and Administrator." So impressed were the preachers with his discussion of the pastor as administrator that a request has been made of Dr. Bell to prepare these notes for publication.

The conference voted to dispense with their November meeting, but that every pastor would endeavor to be present at the State Brotherhood Conference meeting in Jackson on November 14.

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Just As Biblical

DALLAS, Tex.—(BP)—Harlan A. Dixon, a Dallas citizen wrote a letter to the editor of *The Dallas Morning News* in answer to a statement that had appeared in the paper. It said, "Right you are. St. Peter was the first Pope. And if my memory serves me right, at the same time St. John was president of the World Baptist Alliance."

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

NEW ALBANY

Rev. J. R. Davis continues to grow in the esteem of the people of New Albany. The church also continues to grow in membership and in physical property.

On Wednesday night, September 7 the church voted to build an educational annex at an approximate cost of \$50,000.

Chimes have recently been installed. They are a gift of Mrs. T. I. Parker and were given in memory of her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tate.

The church has not only been re-decorated but also beautified. Nowhere have we seen more beautiful harmonizing of colors. It must be seen to be appreciated.

Recently Pastor Davis has made arrangements to install a loud speaker in the jail which is nearby and thus the prisoners are enabled to hear him preach every Sunday.

At the August business meeting 128 Sunday school officers and teachers were elected, the largest number in the history of the church.

Baptist Record subscriptions in Union county are now listed as follows: Center, 62; Prospect, 57; Enterprise, 59; Glenfield, 43; Ingomar, 89; Jericho, 2; Liberty, 1; Zion Hill, 1; Myrtle, 33; New Albany, First, 401; New Albany, Neely Memo. 21; New Harmaon, 65; Pleasant Hill, 14; Pleasant Ridge, 3; Wallerville, 55; Temple, 34.

FIRST CHURCH, HATTIESBURG

First Church, Hattiesburg, although pastorless, has planned a full program for the fall. The church is joining in the simultaneous revival meetings which are to be held October 30-November 13.

During September a victory banquet was held at which the Sunday School and Training Union awards were presented. The church joined in the simultaneous study courses.

Record readers in Lebanon Association are now listed as follows: Big Level, 47; Perkinson, 46; Wiggins, 94; McHenry, 22; Brooklyn, 68; Carterville, 46; Rawls Springs, 77; Dixie, 46; Glendale, 47; Glendale, 47; Green's Creek, 62; Hattiesburg, First, 502; Hattiesburg, Bouie Street, 49; Hattiesburg, Main Street, 745; Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue, 277; Hattiesburg, 28th Avenue, 71; Immanuel, 90; Irene Chapel, 35; Lakeview, 12; McLaurin, 59; Macedonia, 36; Petal-Harvey, 175; Providence, 103; River Avenue, 66; Zion Hill, 72; Fruitland Park, 1.

OCEAN SPRINGS

The work at Ocean Springs continues to make progress under the leadership of Pastor W. R. Storey. The prayer meeting has gained Southwide recognition. Accounts of it have appeared in most of the Southern Baptist papers.

The services are broadcast over station WLOX by remote control on Sunday nights from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock.

Jackson County Record readers are now listed as follows: East Moss Point, 85; Escatawpa, 21; Fort Bayou, 1; Fountainbleau, 25; Friendship, 17; Gautier, 39; Kreole, 58; Moss Point, 112; Ocean Springs, 9; Pascagoula, First, 339; Pascagoula, Calvary, 135; Pascagoula, East Side, 14; Red Creek, Union 27; Unity 12; Vancleave, 35; Wade, 50; Magnolia, 1; Hurley, 18.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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STATE MISSION DAY

Sunday, October 23, is State Mission Day in the Sunday school. That is the special emphasis every year on the fourth Sunday in October.

The purpose of this day is two-fold: To give out information on the State Mission program of our state, and to take an offering for the promotion of this part of our work.

The Sunday School Board has mailed to all superintendents a suggested program for that day, and it is our hope that each school will observe the day in whatever way seems best, both as to the part of imparting information about the work and also the financial offering.

If you did not get a program from Nashville, we have a few on hand at the state office in Jackson. Write us for one. The program will also be found on pages 16 and 17 of the October Builder.

NEW YEAR THEME

"Take Your Family To Sunday School" is the theme of the new year that began October 1.

Isn't that a great and challenging theme? It is big enough to take in everybody, and surely most worthy of the best efforts of us all.

It is the great appeal we will make to the people generally. We will urge all to take their family to Sunday school. Isn't it great that a Sunday school can be so organized, graded, planned, and promoted that there is in it a place for every member of every family, so that the entire family can attend? Well, it surely can be that.

Let's begin right now and go to talking that theme. Let's get it in our thinking and in the thinking of our people. Let's say it again and again, and then say it some more—and then work at the task.

THE OCTOBER BUILDER

My, my! What a great issue is the October Builder!

Each copy of that great periodical is packed full of good things for all of us in this matter of building bigger and better Sunday schools, but it seems that this October number is possibly a bit better than usual, if such a thing can be.

Brother Superintendent, read this issue carefully and lead your officers and teachers to do the same, and then lead them to follow the many excellent suggestions in it and then lead their departments and classes to do the same.

We have said many times, and hope to say it many more times, that if Sunday school leaders had nothing else than the Builder, and would study and follow it, they would have bigger and better schools.

So, at the beginning of this new year, make large use of the October Builder. It will greatly help our work.

THE YEAR JUST GONE

The year that closed September 30 was a great one indeed.

The Lord poured out his blessings in abundance upon us and many were the evidences of divine power and leadership as we think of the many victories won during that year.

It was surely a great year with us in the Sunday School Department. Pastors, superintendents, officers,

teachers, associational leaders, and many, many others cooperated in a beautiful way. We made new records along many lines—and all because the people had a mind to work and pray. It has been good to be a part of such a great program.

We express sincerest thanks and most genuine appreciation to one and all for helping to make it such a good year. Thousands of new people are now in Bible study classes because of all that was done by so many in the year just closed. We are grateful.

THE DALLAS CONFERENCE

December 27-30 in Dallas, Texas, the next Convention-wide Sunday School Conference will be held.

Program features include testimonies, conferences, inspirational periods, worship, etc.

Plan now to attend. Look on pages 6 and 7 of the October Builder for fuller information.

—BR—

Parkway Sunday School Makes Standard

The Sunday School at Parkway Church, Jackson, has reached and maintained the Standard of Excellence for twelve straight months. Curtis L. Beard is the Superintendent and Dr. Norman Price is the pastor.

The total enrollment is 1386; 443 new members have been added during the year. Three new classes have been organized and more than twelve others are needed but room does not permit further organization. Sunday School Study Course awards were granted to 430.

An all-time high was reached in attendance of September 25, with 1003 present. According to reports there were 5,932 visits; 16,023 phone calls; 12,484 cards and letters; and 34,439 contacts.

An average of 80 per cent attended the preaching services. During July, when preaching attendance is usually lowest, an average attendance of 83 per cent was maintained. This high attendance is attributed to the two morning worship services, one at 8:30 and the other at 11, which were begun during the summer months.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

October 17—Jones and Gulf Coast Associational meetings; Mrs. W. L. Wilson, Yazoo Associational W. M. U. Superintendent.

October 18—Simpson, Montgomery and Jackson Associational meetings; W. T. Douglas, Noxubee County Convention Board member.

October 19—B. W. Jones, Lafayette County Convention Board member; Mrs. P. C. French, Office Secretary, State Sunday School Department.

October 20—Hinds, DeSoto, Yazoo, Yalobusha, Noxubee, Greene, and Copiah Associational meetings; Miss Louise Moseley, Blue Mountain College faculty.

October 21—Wayne, and Pike Associational meetings; Granville Myrick, Attala County B. T. U. Director.

October 22—Mrs. J. D. Walker, Calhoun W. M. U. Associational Young People's leader; Herbert Savell, Enlistment Chairman, State B. S. U. Council.

October 23—State Mission Day.

Department of Temperance Activities

W. L. HOLCOMB, Director
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LAUDERDALE COUNTY MASS MEETING HELD

One of the most persistent groups of Christian citizens I know anything about is the group in Lauderdale County. They are organized and have been meeting regularly through the months in an effort to suppress crime, lawlessness, and all unrighteousness in their county. They have been doing what they could to secure better law enforcement in their county. From all reports much needs to be done along these lines in their county. When law enforcement breaks down and crime can not be successfully prosecuted by our courts, tragic consequences follow.

It was my privilege to have part on program September 21. Their mass meeting was held in the Highland Park in Meridian closing with a barbecue supper. Sheriff Myers of Scott County went with me and also had a part on their program. He is one sheriff in our state who is doing a good job under difficult conditions. He, along with many others, is pleading for the full support and cooperation of the Christian people of his county.

True Christians in every section of our state are interested in better law enforcement. They want bootleggers

and all other forms of sin and crime driven from their counties, but alas far too many of them want the other fellow to stick his neck out. One of the great tragedies of our day is the indifference of Christian people—the tragedy of neutrality when great principles are involved. Someone has said that our country is afflicted with the bad citizenship of good men. Many who are good husbands, good providers for their family, good fathers, good businessmen, and even good Christians can not be counted upon to take their stand against the forces of evil which threaten to undermine and destroy their homes, institutions, and everything they hold dear.

A SERVICE HELD AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Recently I had the unspeakable joy of speaking to the students in a chapel service at Mississippi College on the subject of drink. It was a thrilling experience. The student body was most responsive. It is a good group to speak to. I have found no place where the young people were indifferent toward our work. They are tremendously interested in the crusade against the destructive forces of this day.

EAST LOUISVILLE MISSION HAS 36 MEMBERS



Shown above is the East Louisville Mission which was dedicated in August. Rev. Robert H. Foy is the pastor. The church now has 36 members.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young

Called and Accepted:

Amos L. Craig, Pinedale, California.

A. J. Scott, First, Granette, Ark., from Lincoln, Ark.

W. L. Finche, First, Des Arc, Ark., from Bay Cliff.

Roy Hilton, First North, Crossett, Ark., from New Hope, Sparkman.

Walter C. House, Liberty Church, Sky-light, Ky.

Leonard E. Dyer, Spring Valley Church, Hickman Mills, Mo., from First, Indian Creek, Texas.

Fred B. Moseley, Thomasville, Ala., from Lucedale, Miss.

R. T. Greene, Riverside, N. C., from Beech Grove, Louisville, Ky.

M. J. Schultz, Eastside Church, Lakeland, Fla.

Virgil Fielder, Mt. Pleasant Church, Gladewater, Texas.

A. A. Hyden, Buckner Orphans Home, Dallas, Texas from First, Flag, Texas.

R. A. Milliken, First, Flag, Texas from Plainview.

Joseph R. Estes, Mt. Freedom Church, Wilmore, Ky., from Salt River Church, Mercer Co., Ky.

W. J. Sheridan, Calvary, Petersburg, Va.

E. H. Poits, First, Spencer, N. C., from Fair Park, Alexandria, Va.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

SPEAKERS FOR DISTRICT MEETINGS



MISS LILLIE MAE HUNDLEY

Miss Hundley, a native Texan is one of Southern Baptists Missionaries to China. She is in educational-evangelistic work, stationed in Shanghai. She was among those missionaries interned in 1942 and repatriated in 1943. She has been home from China only a few months.

Miss Hundley will bring the missionary message at each of the district meetings.



MISS MARGARET BRUCE

Miss Bruce, Southwide Young People's Secretary will speak at the district meetings. She will also lead a conference for G. A. and R. A. Counselors with special emphasis being given to Forward Steps and Ranking System. Miss Bruce returned from Europe in early Sept. where she attended the Youth Conference in Stockholm, Sweden.

We have been able, out of special gifts to our Building Fund and income from Endowment Fund, to pay up all that was due to complete our new Mo Kwong Home and have a small credit balance as a starter for a new unit we hope to have on our Mo Kwong Campus to house the younger children separate from the older girls. So gifts to the Building Fund are still to be solicited and greatly appreciated.

As to our Endowment Fund, we have been able (by borrowing, so to speak, from our general funds in bank) to send \$1500 more to our Foreign Mission Board for investment, this to be refunded to the general fund by income from Endowment this new fiscal year. This brings our total of funds sent for investment, up to January, 1949, to \$31,334 which with the \$2,000 for Endowment from Lottie Moon Christmas Funds added makes \$33,334 and Mr. E. P. Buxton, treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board, has informed me that the book value of these funds is now \$34,502.53. How happy we all are, I know, over this welcome news!

It is with regret that I have to report another deficit in our efforts to raise \$2,000 for Support Fund this past fiscal year—a deficit of \$615.03.

Only \$1,000 has been sent to Miss Dodson for current expenses this year, as per her request, due to the fact that some help has been coming for Mo Kwong from the National Blind Welfare Association, with headquarters in Shanghai; but those funds come from that office in New York City, the people who gave us \$1,500 on our new Mo Kwong building two years ago. But Miss Dodson writes that: "They say they can probably not continue to send funds much longer and if the situation in China gets so bad that they are not able to get funds from the United States, then that help would be cut off entirely." She says: "Mo Kwong has some funds on fixed deposit," in the Hong Kong Bank which "brings in

Church Employees To Get Social Security Coverage

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—Employees of religious and charitable organizations will be covered under expanded social security legislation adopted by the House of Representatives.

The legislation, passed by a vote of 333 to 14 after two days of debate, provides coverage for lay employees of such non-profit organizations on a compulsory basis. Ministers and members of religious orders are not covered.

Employers would not have to pay their portion of the tax unless they chose to. But they would be required to withhold a portion of the employee's earnings, which would be turned over to the Bureau of Internal Revenue, which would place it in the old age and survivors trust fund for eventual distribution.

If the employer did not wish to match the funds collected from the employee, the latter would receive only half credit for his wages for the year.

According to a Federal Security Agency spokesman, this would not cut the employee's benefits in half, since benefits are weighted. In cases where the employer did not match the employee's contributions, the employee would eventually receive about three-fourths of the benefits he would obtain if the employer made the full contribution.

The legislation would not affect presently-existing benefit plans carried on by private, non-profit organizations, but would be in addition to them.

From testimony heard before the Committee on Ways and Means during hearings on the legislation, it is estimated that the majority of the nation's non-profit organizations will participate in the program.

All groups employing one or more persons would be covered under the legislation. To be eligible, an employee must receive \$100 or more in a three-month period. The tax would be collected on all wages up to \$3,600 annually. (An individual receiving \$4,000 a year would be taxed only on the first \$3,600.)

The legislation has not been acted upon by the Senate, which is not expected to take it up before January.

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DURING SEPTEMBER REV. A. B. Pierce of Kosciusko did the preaching in two revivals. At the First Church, Warren, Ark., there were 55 additions, 34 for baptism; Rev. D. B. Westmoreland is the pastor. At First Church, Arkadelphia, J. G. Cothran, pastor, 44 united with the church, 14 for baptism. Two surrendered for full-time service.

a tiny bit of interest, and also they have a tiny bit in the Savings account."

With grateful appreciation for God's continued blessings upon this work and asking that we each may remember in our daily prayers our Chinese Mo Kwong Board, our blind girls, our missionaries and the Christian Chinese in war distressed China.

Respectively submitted,
MRS. T. C. LOWREY,
Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer
American Mo Kwong Board
Blue Mountain,
Mississippi

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

October 18, 1949

Beulah (Simpson County)	208	132
Bethlehem (Scott County)	103	62
East Fork (Amite County)	128	54
New Hope (Lawrence County)	92	76
Laurel, First	656	194
West Laurel	477	131
Laurel, Second Avenue	544	151
Big Creek	61	51
Mt. Vernon (Leflore County)	76	
East Columbia Church	90	43
Leesburg (Rankin Association)	144	177
Corinth, Tate Street	306	132
Ruth	89	113
Friendship (Lincoln County)	98	124
New Prospect (Lincoln County)	149	143
Centerville	162	63
Bruce	240	75
Siloam	73	70
Columbus, First	1014	303
Friendship (Pike County)	169	109
Rawls Springs (Lebanon Association)	167	153
Evergreen (Winston County)	83	83
Hattiesburg, Main Street	871	297
New Albany	688	165
Darling	63	45
Jackson, Immanuel	131	48
Clinton	569	240
Level Woods (Hinds County)	68	49
Jackson, First	68	49
Jackson, First	1388	429
Jackson, Southside	222	104
Brandon	189	58
Siloam (Simpson County)	73	70
Poplar Springs (Simpson County)	71	
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	318	119
Jackson, Parkway	847	274
Parkway Chapel	120	32
Jackson, Calvary	1327	287
Calvary Mission	21	33
Jackson, Northside	585	175
East Side (Rankin)	98	65
Jackson, Van Winkle	412	233
Bethlehem (Jones County)	142	106
Center	137	88
Lucedale	331	124
Eudora (DeSoto County)	92	37
Greenville, Second	274	156
Bogue Chitto	104	103
Glenfield (Union County)	71	52
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	93	60
Mantee	98	36
Crystal Springs	665	188
Gulfport, First	821	172
Kosciusko, First	586	211
County Line (Copiah County)	125	75
Pascagoula, First	589	219
Eastlawn Mission	57	41
Chapel No. 2	45	
Paynes	168	85
Mt. Olive	157	68
Union (Pike County)	71	61
Union (Alcorn Association)	47	71
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	90	55
Chalybeate	56	44
Chester (Choctaw County)	43	
Grenada, First	617	89
Delay	57	68
Carmel	144	91
East McComb	476	241
Houlka (Chickasaw County)	115	45
Providence (Forrest County)	151	134
Brookhaven, First	1000	341
Hamilton Street Chapel	108	66
Central Chapel	125	87
East Moss Point	193	91
Harrisburg	412	166
Pleasant Ridge (Union County)	133	74
Paul Truitt	163	96
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East McComb	426	238
Big Creek	78	58
Bethlehem (Jones County)	86	98
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	97	102
Wallerville	100	55

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Speakers: Miss Lillie Mae Hundley, China; Miss Margaret Bruce, Southwide Young People's Secretary.

District 1, Oct. 25, Jackson, First Baptist Church.

*District 2, Nov. 4, Cleveland.

District 3, Nov. 3, Water Valley.

District 4, November 2, Baldwin.

District 5 Nov. 1, Columbus, First Baptist Church.

District 6 Oct. 26, Newton, Clarke College.

District 7, Oct. 27, Hattiesburg, Main Street.

*District 8, Oct. 28, Mars Hill. (To reach Mars Hill: Leave Highway 51 just north of McComb, at Welch's store—turn west, go 10 miles to cross roads, turn right).

Bring sandwiches and the hostess church will furnish drinks.

* These places the entire lunch will be furnished.

BLIND GIRLS' HOME

(All who contributed to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions have had a part in supporting this worthy mission project. It was started from funds given by Blue Mountain College Y. W. A.'s, under the guidance of Mrs. T. C. Lowrey, the Counselor of the Y. W. A. at that time. She has been the moving spirit among us in continuing the support and keeping us informed. Blue Mountain College Alumni continues to contribute to this mission effort. We have selected excerpts from Mrs. Lowrey's report that we feel will be of interest to all.)

Miss Dodson says: "Our three girls who are out in churches in the field are doing well, and their work seems to be most satisfactory, and we are glad they can be out helping. Others could go out too, if the situation were more stable, but in so many places it is not safe and the churches are not willing to take responsibility for having a blind girl around."

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson

"Price War"

We recently read of a "price war" going on between two drug stores in Los Angeles. A new store was opened right across the street from an old established drug store and the new store started cutting prices. These prices were met and lowered by the other store, and so price slashing went on 'til they were selling a breakfast of ham and eggs with coffee and toast for one cent. That shows how foolish people can be. It is a good example and illustrates that you can't fight the devil with his own fire. We know a church that sponsors dancing to off set the temptation of the young people to go to other dances. Well what happens is that some young people have their first dance in the church and their next in a road house. We can remove the temptation of our young people by giving them something better but not giving them the same thing. In our Baptist churches we are providing, through the Training Union usually, a wholesome program of social and recreational life. This is as much a need in building Christian character as anything we can do. The one thing we are going to have to do is to live together, and learning how to work and play together unselfishly will solve all the problems.

Calhoun Co. Leadership School

Calhoun County Association has more Baptist churches in it than any other association in Mississippi, and they have grown in training union work during the past few years perhaps faster than any other association. They now have 24 churches with a Training Union with immediate plans to organize in three other churches. Mrs. Pearl Barton of Derma is the tireless and efficient director and Rev. Carmon Savell is the dynamic associational missionary. During the week of September 25-30 a Leadership School was held in the association. The meetings were held in the Calhoun City First Church. Thirteen churches were represented during the week with an average attendance of 120. Nine classes were taught, Story Hour, Junior, Intermediate, Young People, Adults, Story Hour Leaders, Junior Leaders, Intermediate Leaders, General officers. The faculty included Mrs. Goodson, Associational Story Hour Leader; Miss Faye Haire of Vardaman; Rev. West, pastor at Derma; Rev. Morgan, pastor Pittsboro and Big Creek; Misses Louise Hill and Gladys Bryant, Mrs. J. C. Greenoe, W. C. Morgan and Auber J. Wilds, all of the Training Union Department. The program included a brief devotional, and hour and half class period, and a closing assembly for count and theme chorus for the week. It was a great week, declared by all who participated. On Friday night the "D" Day program for the association was given. A fine crowd came at six bringing their sandwiches which were served by the host church with either coffee or a bottle drink. This program was a fitting climax to a week that bids fair to step Training Union efficiency up by no less than 100 percent in the churches of the association. Mrs. Barton continues as director for the coming year, and has already begun plans for a simultaneous study course in

the spring and another leadership school in the fall.

Associational Officers Meeting

November 14 will be a big day in Jackson. Several important meetings will be held, among them is our annual Associational Officers Training Meeting. All associational officers are urgently invited to be with us that day. The meeting will be at First Baptist Church, beginning at 10 a. m. and closing a little after 4 p. m. We will have three Southwide workers with us, Mr. Leonard Wedel, Mr. John Jeffers, and Miss Frances Whitworth. Our State Training Union staff will also be present and have part on the program. For any Junior workers who can stay over for a night session we will have a special conference for Junior leaders and sponsors. This is planned especially for Junior workers in Hinds County but is open to all who can take advantage of it. Miss Whitworth will stay over for this conference and will be the leader.

We appreciate the prompt reply from our associational clerks. You have served us well by giving us the name and address of the newly elected Associational officers.



Mass Men's Chorus And Quartet Contest At State Brotherhood Convention

Mass Men's Chorus: All brotherhood quartets and men's choruses will furnish special music for the State Brotherhood Convention which will be held on November 14. It is hoped that at least three hundred men will sing in this large mass chorus. The special music will be presented at the evening session which is Monday evening November 14.

The numbers to be used in this chorus are found in the Coleman's Songs For Men, and the following numbers will be used: "It Is Well With My Soul," "Wandering Child, O Come Home," "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning," and "My Jesus I Love Thee." Any quartet desiring to sing in this chorus will please rehearse the numbers listed above in advance. A special rehearsal will be held in the Auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., between 6:15 and 7 p. m. on the afternoon of November 14.

Why not make plans to have your quartet or men's chorus in this great chorus. The Chorus will be under the leadership of W. C. Morgan.

Brotherhood Quartet Contest: A most interesting feature held during this convention will be a contest for Brotherhood Quartets. Note: If a church quartet desires to enter this contest from a church that does not have a brotherhood, the church quartet will be invited to enter the contest. This invitation also, is extended to such quartets or choruses to sing in the mass chorus.

Each quartet entering the quartet contest will sing one number selected from the Coleman's Songs For Men. Each quartet will make its own selection. Also, each quartet entering the quartet contest will please notify W. C. Morgan, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.,

INTEREST IN C-R-O-P PROGRAM IS GROWING



Ministers of all denominations, farmers, agricultural workers, bankers and other business leaders throughout Mississippi are showing keen interest in the Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP) as local organizations are perfected in a large majority of counties in the state. Major W. E. Holcomb, state director, reports.

CROP, first co-ordinated relief program of Protestant-Baptist and Lutheran—and Catholic churches, is a nation-wide project through which farm produce, contributed by American farmers in harvest season, is sent through Church agencies to the aged, ill, orphans, and destitute overseas. It is the largest relief collection program of its kind in existence and is not duplicated in any other relief program.

Mississippi's Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP) was launched in July by a group of religious, agricultural and business leaders. A state executive committee was formed and a director, publicity director and secretary were named headquarters staff.

From this office, located at 105 South State Street in Jackson, the state was divided into twelve districts of from five to seven counties each, with an equal number of ministers, well known in their community, being chosen as district supervisors responsible for presenting the program to the people of each county in his respective district.

County meetings are being held throughout the state with a local committee assuming responsibility for the CROP campaign. Ministers, religious workers, school superintendents, farmers, bankers and other business leaders are called on to participate in the effort to give every farmer, planter, livestock grower, and dairy man an opportunity to contribute through this Christian program to the hungry millions overseas.

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TALLAHASSEE, FLA.—(RNS)—AS A result of protests from ministers and laymen in various parts of the state, Gov. Fuller Warren has vetoed a measure which would have granted large hotels the right to sell liquor and set up bars even if located next to a church or school. The church action was led by Clergymen in Miami and Jacksonville.

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"TIME SPENT IN PRAYER IS THE best time invested for the highest good to ourselves and to others."—Louis S. Gaines, *The Teacher*.

as soon as plans are completed to enter the contest. Certainly this great opportunity for the men will be a great opportunity for all of the men who love to sing.

Clarke College Nursery Now In Use

The plans, long delayed, for a nursery at Clarke College are being carried out. Although the nursery is not complete, it is operating. It was opened in order to give the mothers a chance to go to school that they too, along with their husbands, may better prepare themselves for the Master's work.

The nursery is located in the former kitchen. One small room is used as a bedroom for the babies, and a larger room is used as a bedroom for them. The walls and floors are being repainted; cribs and equipment are being purchased. Mrs. Louie Farmer, wife of the B. S. U. Secretary, is in charge of the nursery.

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Amsterdam Says "Good So" To Am. Baptist Students

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Bob Denny, assistant Southwide BSU secretary, is a hero to a lot of Dutch people, according to an Amsterdam newspaper received here. He was traveling with a group of American students on a leased railroad coach between Amsterdam and The Haag. Natives were standing about everywhere.

Bob, seeing the crowd, said to his party, "Look here, it will not do for us to sit here with plenty of room when these people have to stand." The students immediately received the standing Dutchmen into their compartments.

The Amsterdam paper thinks Bob and his BSU travelers deserve a warm "Good so," or as an American would say, "Well done."

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OLD CHAPEL ON MC CAMPUS TO BE MUSEUM

The historic old chapel building at Mississippi College which will soon round out a century of service, is being converted into a museum. Although it is the oldest building on the campus, it is one of the most majestic and beautiful.

Built by slave-labor before the Civil War, its thick massive walls appear to be good for another hundred years. Its tall Corinthian columns are almost as perfect as when they were first built. The upper chapel was used as the main college auditorium until the student body outgrew it and last session moved into the new Nelson Auditorium which seats twice as many.

During the Civil War, while enroute to Vicksburg, Generals Grant and Sherman used the upper chapel for a hospital for their wounded soldiers, and the lower floor as a stable for their horses.

Soon the old chapel will be equipped with show cases, cabinets, and shelves which will contain relics and pictures and curios of interest to Mississippi College students and friends. Those who have things suitable for this collection are asked to give or lend them to the museum.

The exhibits planned is a collection of one hundred fifty guns and numerous war relics gathered by Dr. Francis A. Lord, Associated Professor of History. Dr. Lord was a Major during the recent war and has collected interesting relics from various countries and from many wars.

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EASTSIDE CHURCH, PASCAGOULA, has called Rev. Ernest Steelman, Clarke College student, as pastor. He began his work the last Sunday in September and will be on the field on weekends.

— BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

New Brotherhoods Reported to Southwide Office for September

We reported the following new Brotherhoods to the Southwide Office for September: **Alta Woods, Hinds-Warren Association**—Rev. Clyde L. Davis, pastor; Russell Seafidel, president, and S. L. Palmer, secretary; **County Line, Jones County Association**—Rev. J. W. Dubose, pastor; **Eighth Avenue, Meridian, Lauderdale County Association** (Junior Brotherhood)—Rev. E. F. Graeser, pastor, W. L. Howington, Jr., president; **Good Water, Simpson County Association**—Rev. Virgil Davis, pastor; **Marion, Meridian, Lauderdale County Association**—Rev. E. C. Farr, pastor; **Oakland Heights, Meridian, Lauderdale County Association**—Rev. C. O. Lindsey, pastor; **Phillipston, Leflore County Association**—Rev. C. J. Olander, pastor, J. E. McKay, president, and Calvin Green, secretary; **Poplar Springs, Meridian, Lauderdale County Association**—Ben E. Poythress, president; **Providence, Grenada County**—Rev. Troy B. Land, pastor, C. N. Schiele, president; and **Spring Creek, Neshoba County**—Rev. Ivor L. Clark, pastor, Clayton Fulton, president, and Otha Talley, secretary.

YOUTH DIRECT EVENING SERVICE AT GREENVILLE

Instead of having Youth Revival one week in the year, as most churches do, the First Church, Greenville, has a Youth Revival every Sunday night. The entire program is in the hands of the youth of the church with the exception of the sermon which is given by the Pastor, Dr. E. D. Elliott. It is the most inspiring and spectacular in this section.

The Junior Deacons, Frank E. Stebins, Jr., chairman, sponsors this program. The entire choir, led by a young person, is filled with Intermediates and Young People. Special music is furnished by them. The Junior Deacons usher and take the offering; one makes the announcement over the radio, another reads the Scriptures for the evening, and another serves as church clerk. At night the place at the organ is being filled by two young ladies fourteen years of age—one playing one Sunday and the other the next. The young people feel that the service belongs to them and they are making a great work of it.

When the college group left in September it was thrilling and inspiring to see the younger group step up and offer themselves to fill their places.

Scores have dedicated their lives to do special Christian work and eight young men have felt the call to preach the Gospel and are being used by the Pastor as helpers in the newly organized Mission, in addition to service in their own church.

The evening service is broadcast over radio station WJPR, Greenville.

Dr. Elliott will celebrate his fourth anniversary with the church on November 1. During this time, 800 members have been added to the church, 347 by baptism.

Laymen's Day was observed on October 9; 40 men filled the choir at the morning service.

Pearl River Men Hold Group Meeting

Mr. Rufus Davis, president of the Pearl River County Associational Brotherhood, promoted a group meeting of four churches at Derby for the purpose of presenting the work of the Brotherhood. It has not been our privilege to speak to a more interested group of men. Out of it should come four Brotherhoods. A catfish fry preceding the meeting, didn't hurt things at all. Brother Davis has worked in and out of season to promote the work of our Lord through the Brotherhood.

Lincoln County Brotherhood Meets With Mt. Zion

The Lincoln County Brotherhood met with Mt. Zion Church on September 22, with President D. D. Kennedy, presiding. Rev. William P. Davis, Associate Executive Secretary, brought the inspirational message on State Missions.

Supper was served by the ladies of Mt. Zion Church to considerably over a hundred men with some fifteen churches represented. Brother Elton Barlow is the fine pastor of this great country church.

Riser Begins Webb Pastorate

J. S. Riser, Jr., began his work as pastor of the Webb Church on September 1. He succeeded Rev. L. Frank Campbell of Inverness.

When Mr. Riser and his wife and two sons moved into the parsonage, they found that an abundant supply of groceries had been left in their kitchen.

Coming from a pastorate in Memphis, Mr. Riser writes, "Mrs. Riser and I are delighted to be back in our native State."

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MRS. J. H. RATLIFF

On Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m. Sept. 15, 1949 God called Mrs. Jeanette Holmes Ratliff to rise and dwell on higher planes.

Whereas, her sudden and unexpected death was shocking and grievous to all of our community. We were made to realize that God's judgment is not to be questioned and that his loving kindness is unsurpassed and,

Whereas, she was a member of Tylertown Church for many years, was an active member of the W. M. S., ready to serve where duty called, was faithful in forwarding all activities to carry the word to unsaved people, and,

Whereas, she was an outstanding member of the T. E. L. Bible class; regular in attendance; cheerful in giving; chairman of Social Committee; welcoming to all new members and visitors, and

Whereas, her devotion to her husband, relatives and friends was loving and untiring.

Therefore, be it resolved: First, that we express to her family our deepest sympathy and commend them to the comfort of the Holy Spirit, and pray that the God of Love will ever be present with them; second, that this resolution be written in the minutes of the W. M. S., a copy be sent to her husband, be published in the Tylertown Times and also, in the Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. O. L. COLQUHOUN
MRS. O. N. HARVEY
MRS. J. H. RIMES

Miss Beatrice Collins Joins Music Department At New Orleans Seminary



MISS BEATRICE COLLINS

Miss Beatrice Collins, Memphis, Tenn., has been appointed to the faculty of the Department of Sacred Music at the New Orleans Seminary.

Miss Collins will serve as instructor in Organ and Piano, and will direct classes in the Graded Choir Program.

She is an alumnae of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and received the degree, Master of Sacred Music, from the School of Church Music of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, in 1948.

Prior to her acceptance of the position with the Seminary, Miss Collins taught Organ and Piano at the Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg.

In addition to her teaching duty, Miss Collins is accompanist for the 85 voice Choral Club under the direction of Prof. W. Plunkett Martin, head of the Seminary's Department of Sacred Music.

—BR— MRS. MARY CARTER JOINS MISS. COLLEGE FACULTY

Mrs. Mary B. Carter, wife of Professor Frank W. Carter of the Math Department, will teach in the Home Economics Department at Mississippi College. She is teaching a course in "Clothing Appreciation and Selection" and a course in "Meal Planning and Preparation."

Mrs. Carter received her Bachelor of Science degree from the Northeast Missouri State Teachers College.

—BR— LOUIE FARMER REPORTS ON STOCKHOLM MEET

The Newton Baptist Church recently heard a report of the Baptist World Youth Congress which was held in Stockholm, Sweden, in early August. The report was presented by the Rev. Louie Farmer, B. S. U. Secretary of Clarke College, who was one of about 15 people from Mississippi attending the Congress.

Mr. Farmer stated that, according to European standards, the meeting was a great Baptist meetings. He was able to realize that after seeing how small and few the Baptist Churches of Europe really are; the meeting was important because it was so unusual to the Baptist in that section of the world.

The greatest value of the Stockholm Congress, according to Mr. Farmer, was the strengthening of European Baptist Youth and the understanding which grew from the fellowship of Baptist Youth from 26 countries.

40 & 25 YEARS AGO

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.
40 YEARS AGO

The Olive Branch Church closed a meeting with nine for baptism, Pastor J. W. Lee "doing all the preaching."

The Skene Church received 18 additions, 15 for baptism, with Pastor J. R. G. Hewlett doing the preaching. He had Rev. C. H. Mize to assist at Ruleville when 15 joined the church.

Rev. J. P. Calpepper of Lumberton "did most of the preaching" in a 12 day meeting with the Osyka Baptist Church, with 25 accession, 17 for baptism.

Pastor Joel D. Rice reports having baptized 45 in the fellowship of the Cascilla Baptist Church at the close of their annual revival meeting.

Pastor J. F. Tull of Gallman tells of three meetings: **New Zion**, the pastor doing the preaching with 14 additions, 13 for baptism; **Damascus**, Rev. J. H. Price of Jackson doing the preaching with nine additions, eight for baptism and one restored; **Gallman**, Brother Kincanon of Lexington doing the preaching with 50 additions, 41 for baptism.

Pastor L. D. Bassett reports "a gloriously good meeting" at Soso when 22 happy converts were baptized "about doubling the membership of the church." Rev. D. W. McLeod doing the preaching.

25 YEARS AGO

The Flora Church closed "one of their best revivals" with 14 additions, 13 for baptism. Rev. J. W. Storer of Greenwood who came to assist became sick and Pastor E. V. May took over. The entire church got behind the pastor and the song leaders, Mr. David Hughes and wife of New Port, Ky. Hal J. Jones reporting.

The church at Union closed a twelve day meeting, "a season of gracious refreshing," in which Pastor G. O. Parker was assisted by Rev. H. L. Martin of Indianola. Results: 38 additions, 18 for baptism, 19 by letter and one by restoration.

THE ADAMS-FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION met at Hope Well Church on September 21. Mrs. B. T. Bishop was in charge of the program. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. B. T. Bishop, Superintendent; Mrs. Hoy Herring, Young People's Leader; Mrs. W. A. Green, Mission Study Chairman; Mrs. J. J. Newman, Stewardship Chairman; Mrs. Morris, Literature; Mrs. R. D. Dean, Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. Inez Miller, Community Missions.

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Sunday School Lesson

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October 16

GOD AND THE NATIONS or, perhaps better, "JEHOVAH THE GOD OF NATIONS." Isaiah 1:21-28; 10; 13; 19:19-25; 31.

I. JEHOVAH THE GOD OF THE INDIVIDUAL

We know all about that! He does not deal with the individual at arms length, but in contact of spirit with Spirit. He is closer to each one than his breathing is. Yes, we say all that, but do we deep down realize it? As each of us goes his careless carefree way, do we walk in the consciousness of the presence of God? Do we do so in our homes? In what proportion of the homes of church members of Mississippi do the inmates of the home remember the presence of God at meal time and make mention of His name at the table?

What proportion of the fathers of our state, I mean the professing Christian fathers, even realize the presence of Him to whom all men must answer in the judgment and speak of God to the children of the household and to the stranger who may chance to come within the walls of the home? To what proportion of us is He a reality and not merely a name? Be very sure that He is a reality, a real living person, a person aware of what goes on here, of what goes on of good and bad of right and wrong in the heart of every one of us. And being the God of the individual heart.

He is also God of the family circle, the keeper of the family tree. He holds to account the members of the family circle and commends with His favor or condemns with destruction the circle that is evil. I say He is the keeper of the family tree. And you have seen evidence of this. The good family endures through successive generations. To look no further than the campus of my college, we have here the Rev. Prof. Edgar Lamar Douglas, who traces his ministerial ancestry back through four generations of South Mississippi men whose hands and hearts and heads were busy in building the kingdom of God. Old preacher Lyman Beech with his seven preacher sons and at least one daughter whose fame as a writer went around the world, and gigantic old Jonathan Edwards, the head of a family line whose members have glorified the time in which they lived.

II. JEHOVAH THE GOD OF THE CITY

Isaiah 1:21-28

Said a young preacher to me, "I can't do anything here! The devil has this town." The devil may disport himself at considerable lengths, that's true, and a corrupt city administration may nurse the delusion that it has complete charge of the municipality, and good people in despair may say that there is just no use in protest against unblushing wickedness in seats of the city counselors; but they and we all do well to remember that God is alive, that He is the city's un-sleeping watchman, the Counselor unto Whom all good men (for there are many such in the most wicked city in this land) may go in confidence for consolation and advice. And this also His faithful need to remember, that the queen of the olden time was right who told her priestly counselor, "My Lord Cardinal, God does not pay off His scores at sundown of each day, but sooner or later, He pays them all."

III. JEHOVAH THE GOD OF THE CHURCH

May I digress to say this? Sometimes it seems as though it were not so. Certain churches get so far out of line with the will and wish and way of God that one is made to wonder whether the church has not become utterly Godless.

Robert Slack, Jr., Licensed At Zion Hill, Lebanon



ROBERT SLACK, JR.

Robert Slack, Jr., has been licensed to preach by Zion Hill Church near Hattiesburg. He has served as a Deacon, Building Fund Treasurer, and Sunday School Superintendent.

For sometime he has been an employee of the Bonhomie and Hattiesburg Southern Railroad but has now resigned his position to enroll as a student at Mississippi Southern College.

The Deacons of the church voted to commend him to the ministers and churches of the state as one who can be counted on to do his best for the cause of Christ.

He is serving at present as Assistant Pastor of the Zion Hill Church. To aid him as he labors for the Lord will be his wife, Mrs. Mary Dell Weatherford Slack and son, Bobby.

Clarke Chorus Makes Visit

The Clarke College Chorus went on its first road trip Sunday, September 25. A program was rendered at Hardy Church in Grenada County. The Rev. Butler Smith, a former Clarke student, is the pastor. Sunday evening a program was presented at 2 p. m. over Station WNAG, Grenada. Sunday night the chorus appeared at the First Church in Canton, Dr. John W. Landrum, pastor.

Miss Edith Alexander is the director. Some 60 or more have joined the chorus already.

—BR—

"WE HAVE NOT GONE FAR INTO the mastery of prayer until we learn to follow this example of Jesus, making prayer a spontaneous expression of a trusting heart that needs no special place or form to create a mood or sustain an intent to pray."—Claude U. Broach, The Teacher.

Soft, my friend! The church is God's, a purchase which our Redeemer made with His own precious blood, and He'll not desert it to the devil. I have been in Baptist churches where good men and women have told me that things in the church were so wretched in their plight on account of sin in high places in the church that there was just no room in the church for God at all. I have seen the few good people in such a church aroused rise up and clean the church of the offensive things and make it a fit habitation for the Spirit of the Risen Christ.

IV. JEHOVAH THE GOD OF THE NATIONS

Isaiah 13, 19:21-25

Ah! How the hearts of all His people around the world have been burdened twice within the memory of living men! Great nations forgot God and sought to bring his sovereignty over the nations to an end. And with what result, I ask you? German bombs released over London and Coventry; but see what run in the cities which harkened to Hitler! Italian airplanes, death-dealing and merciless, over the hapless heads and homes and cities of Abyssinia; but turn now and glance at a scene of terror in the street of the city where a firing squad sends leaden death into the body of him who had dared lead a nation to defy and make war on God! All the days from the dawn of history until this good hour and from now on till time shall be no more the individuals, the family circles and family lines that disregard God shall kiss the death of the wicked and the nations that forget God shall be turned into hell. While the individuals that love and honor Him, the family circles and churches that remain true to Him shall have His Spirit dwell in peace among them. And the nations that honor and trust and obey Him shall walk in the light of His countenance and abide in the word of His counsel unto the dawn of the eternal day.

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W. E. Oates Is Psychology Prof. At Southern Seminary

Wayne Edward Oates is the assistant professor of Psychology of Religion at the Southern Seminary, Louisville.

Until he was 13, Dr. Oates' life was like that of most other cotton-mill family children in his native Greenville, S. C. His mother had been left a widow with the responsibility of bringing up four children, and the family often found itself in extreme want.

Soon after his thirteenth birthday, Oates had the good fortune of being chosen to serve as page in the United States Senate. The day President Hoover left office, he served the sad-hearted executive as page-in-attendance. He recalls that the out-going president "kept watching the clock" as 12 noon, the time of his departure, approached.

The South Carolina page was also present for the first inauguration of Franklin Delano Roosevelt as president. When the banks of the nation were being closed by presidential proclamation, Oates stood back of President Roosevelt as the President made his famous "we-have-nothing-to-fear-but-fear" speech.

Dr. Oates met personally many of the world's great leaders, including Winston Churchill. He found the big-vigs very considerate of the pages. Each year the Vice President gave a banquet for them. But the one thing that impressed him most of all was that no one ever talked to him about his relationship to Christ.

Since sixteen was the age limit for pages, Dr. Oates had to find himself a new position after reaching that age. For several months he was on the capitol guard force. He transferred to Greenville (S. C.) high school in the middle of his seventeenth year to complete work for his high school diploma.

The depression hit the Oates family hard and for two or three years the future Seminary professor knew by actual experience what it is like to be hungry. He did any kind of work he could find and finally wound up in Kannapolis, N. C., with the Cannon Towel Company. Here he worked as a mill operator for eighteen months, supporting himself and his mother.

Oates was converted when a young man and joined First Church, Kannapolis. Some time after his conversion, he was asked by a Christian friend about his plans for the future. This set the mill worker to thinking. Soon he felt that God needed him for something else. It was this conviction that sent him to Mars Hill College, and, later, to Wake Forest College. He was not to stop his going to school until he had four degrees: B. A., Wake Forest, 1940; and B. D., 1945, Th. M., 1946, and Th. D. 1947 all from Southern Seminary.

It was in Ridgecrest in 1937, that Dr. Oates felt the direction of Christ leading him to the Christian ministry. Soon after this, Dr. Robert Moore, president of Mars Hill, now retired, asked Oates to relieve him for several weeks as teacher of Greek.

At Wake Forest College, Dr. A. C. Reid, head of the Department of Psychology and Philosophy, whetted Wayne's appetite for work in these fields and opened his eyes to the im-

GUYTON TEACHES SS CLASS IN BM RAILROAD STATION

David Guyton, head of the Department of History and Economics at Blue Mountain College, has taught a men's Sunday School class in the railroad station at Blue Mountain for more than 20 years. The class is actually a part of the Blue Mountain church but reaches men who haven't been in a church in years.

Accidentally blinded at the age of twelve, he holds a degree from Columbia University and is the only male ever to graduate in regular session from Blue Mountain College. At Columbia, he and Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, now President of Blue Mountain, studied and worked together.

Professor at Blue Mountain, Mr. Guyton has a Reader selected from the senior class. She reads all books and periodicals to him, helps with his class papers and in general acts as his eyes while in school. There is a great deal of rivalry among classmates for this honored position.

In addition to his school work he serves as President of the Blue Mountain Bank, acts as correspondent for several large daily newspapers, and is a lecturer. Although his speaking engagements call him hundreds of miles away, he hasn't failed to make a college class in 24 years of teaching.

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Turnip with a determination to make life count for the most.—East Gadsden Baptist Church News.

—BR—

ACCORDING TO THE OCTOBER issue of the Baptist Student the following colleges reached First Magnitude in BSU work: Bethel Woman's College, Hopkinsville, Ky.; Murray State College, Murray, Kentucky; Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Missouri; Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Mississippi; Bessie Tilt College, Forsyth, Georgia; Harrison Chilhowee Academy, Seymour, Tennessee.

"AS I SEE IT, THE PRIMARY QUALIFICATION of the faithful church is its recognition of its Founder . . . The second mark of the faithful church is its devotion to its function in the world."—John L. Hill, *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.

portance and possibilities of pastoral counselling. For one year he served at Wake Forest as a research assistant, and for another year, he taught Psychology and Philosophy.

While at Wake Forest, Dr. Oates served for some time as pastor of two country churches, Peach Tree and Bunn. The treasurer of the Peach Tree Church, brown-eyed Miss Polly Rhodes, was so adept at handling money that he decided to make her his personal treasurer for life, and so he made her Mrs. Oates. They have a son, William Wayne, born January 31, 1948.

Working with Dr. G. S. Dobbins, Dr. Oates has developed the field of Psychology of Religion and Pastoral Counselling to major proportions. He has already won wide acclaim for his success in these fields. Through his arrangements, Seminary students in Pastoral Counselling now serve on an interne basis in various hospitals.

Dr. Oates' former pastorates include: Union City, Ky.; and Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

The Last Call

By A. D. BROADUS, Purvis
(Fiction from a group of facts)

Uncle William was a great preacher and a good pastor even at the age of 73. On the first Sunday of September for 25 years, he had been called, or elected pastor of Bethel Church for the ensuing year, without solicitation, and under his wise leadership, the Church has grown from a 40 member, one-fourth time, to a full-time Church of more than 300 members, and to him, it was "none other than the house of God." He had baptized, married or buried some member of almost every family within its membership.

This fine old country church had been fortunate in getting a splendid young preacher to hold the annual revival meeting three months before.

Uncle William preached at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. each Sunday. He had no idea that on the first Sunday of September, that he would not be called or re-elected for the ensuing year, but to his surprise, the church called the young preacher who had held the revival.

When 19, as a soldier under the command of General Lee, he had lost his right hand at Gettysburg. At 21, he and Aunt Mary were married, and at 23, ennobled by the Knighthood of the great commission and the Divine command, as a soldier of the cross, he had yielded to the Divine urge to preach the gospel and for these 50 years he had been a faithful preacher and pastor and all this time he had prayed for those in deep distress, wept with those who wept, and consoled those of his members who had lost all, with the assurance that the Lord knows best and if we trust him he will lead us out, but this seemed different. This church and its members, were and had been, through the years, the object of his prayers, his pride by day and the inspiration of his dreams by night. To him, the members were like his own children.

In his extremity, he likened himself to Prometheus, who was chained to a rock while the eagles prayed upon his vitals, or Socrates who was compelled to drink the poison hemlock to maintain his honor, and then to his Lord in Gethsemane.

He hardly knew how he got through with the two sermons following the call. He found, however, that the young preacher had agreed with some of the members to preach on Sunday night at the church, at which time it was hoped by them, that he would accept the anticipated call. Many of the older members appeared sad and sore at the action of the church and Brother Smith, the oldest Deacon, shared with the old Pastor, the sting of defeat and promised to assist him in any way he could, but the pastor

SEEKING GOD WITH JUNIORS

"Teach us to pray aloud," my juniors said one day.
"Teach me Lord," I turned to the Master to say.
"LET's seek Him first," and with little hands in mine,
We approached the throne of Grave Divine.
"First comes praise and thanks for joys received,
For His Holy Word which we have believed."
The small hands left mine and to Him were raised
In sincere thanks, in joyous praise.
"His blessings on others, now let's request,
A desire to do His will, He knows best,
Forgiveness of sin next let us seek." Reverently but urgently they did speak.
Tiny little sins, so tender little lambs, in my heart I cried.
"And of such is the kingdom of Heaven," in gentle benediction He replied.
—A JUNIOR TEACHER.
—BR—

THE NEW SALEM CHURCH, ADAMS-

Franklin Association, elected their officers for the coming year as follows: S. S. Supt., Clarence Wooten; S. S. Secretary, Miss Maxine Smith; Treasurer, Hoy Herring; Church Clerk, Aubrey Arnold; Choir Director, Ernest Smith; Pianist, Miss Flora Dell Smith; B. T. U. Director, Aubrey Arnold; B. T. U. Secretary, Mrs. Earl Cupit; B. T. U. Chorister, Ernest Smith; B. T. U. Pianist, Miss Myra Wilson; Reporter, Mrs. Hoy Herring. The pastor is Rev. Harold Kelly.

was so unhorsed by the oblique of defeat until he was proud that Aunt Mary had stayed at home that day. He did not want her to know about the action of the church until he had time to make plans for the future.

Two of their five children were dead, leaving to them three grandchildren to rear and educate. He had no retirement fund and the small farm that he owned and resided upon was just a small dwelling house, a vegetable garden, an orchard and a place to keep a horse and milk cow, and the major part of the support for him and family came from the church. He was almost proud that the youngest grandchild was not well, so Aunt Mary would not have an opportunity to read his sad face, therefore, the Sunday night devotion was short, she remembered something about "I have kept the faith," and about the "Good Fight" and a "Crown of Righteousness." Uncle William tried to sleep but he could not. He then remembered his doctor had cautioned him against worry and excitement.

At midnight, Brother Smith came, told the good news that the young preacher had refused to accept the pastorate unless the church would pay Uncle William what they owed him, and he estimated that for the past 25 years that they had paid him about half what he earned. The church then revoked its order and called Uncle William indefinitely at double the present salary. There followed songs and thanksgiving in the home and at 2 a. m. Brother Smith agreed to remain the balance of the night with the old Pastor and the family retired for the second time and the sun was up when Aunt Mary set plates for six persons, but Uncle William had been carried by the Angels to answer the last call and receive a crown of righteousness. The Sunday following, they re-elected the young preacher who accepted on the condition that Uncle William's salary would be paid each month to Aunt Mary during the balance of her life.